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SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS MEETING: HANDLING OF ACTION PROPOSALS.

REF(A) STATE 207121, (B) OECD 3678

1. THE DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES THE MISSION'S CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF THE DELEGATION OF POWERS ISSUE. FOLLOWING ARE OUR COMMENTS.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT A REFUSAL BY THE COUNCIL TO DELEGATE POWERS TO THE ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS COULD BE A NEGATIVE PRECEDENT BEARING ON THE IEP DECISION, SINCE IT WOULD INDICATE OPPOSITION TO THE PRINCIPLE OF COUNCIL DELEGATION.

3. WHILE WE TOO ARE SENSITIVE TO THE RISKS INVOLVED IN GRANTING POWERS TO FUNCTIONAL MEETINGS, THERE IS A DANGER IN DEBATING THESE RISKS AT THIS TIME, WHEN THE ARGUMENTS USED MIGHT BE PICKED UP AND TURNED AGAINST A DELEGATION

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TO THE NEW ENERGY AGENCY.

4. SINCE THE ENVISAGED GRANT OF AUTHORITY TO THE ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS WILL BE AD HOC, WE WILL RETAIN THE ABILITY TO ARGUE AGAINST FUTURE DELEGATIONS OF POWER, IF WE SHOULD SO DESIRE.

5. ACCORDINGLY, WE BELIEVE OUR INTERESTS WILL BEST BE SERVED BY SUPPORTING THE FORMULATION IN REF A (OPTION A OF REF B).

6. SHOULD A CONTRARY CONSENSUS EMERGE AT THE HEADS OF DEL MEETING, PLEASE REPORT FULLY AND SEEK FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. INGERSOLL

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